

Bible Study Questions

I AM the Light-Direction

John 8:12-30

1. What does it feel like to walk in darkness (v. 12)?

How have you experienced following Jesus as being like following a light through a dark place?

2. Biblical law required that a person's testimony had to be verified by the testimony of others. (See Deuteronomy 19:15, for example.) The religious teachers try to use that requirement to challenge Jesus' claim to be the light of the world (v. 13). How does Jesus answer their challenge (vv. 14-18)?
3. Why do you believe the testimony of Jesus that he came from the Father?
4. What does the Pharisees' misunderstanding in verse 19 reveal about their view of Jesus?
5. In verse 24 Jesus says, "If you do not believe that I am the one I claim to be, you will indeed die in your sins." How does our contemporary culture respond to that claim?
6. Why would Jesus' opponents only realize who he was when they had "lifted up the Son of Man" (vv. 27-28)?

7. What is your testimony about Jesus to the people you work with or spend time with?

What would they say about the validity of your testimony?

8. Jesus said, "I always do what pleases (the Father)" (v. 29). Should that be a goal in your life? Explain why or why not.

9. How can you rely on Jesus as your "light" this week?

What can you expect, and how will you respond to his light?